AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract at page 21 to read as follows:

-- Preparation of 2-dihaloacyl-3-aminoacrylic esters and 3-dihalomethylpyrazole-4-carboxylic esters

METHOD FOR PRODUCING 2-DIHALOACYL-3-AMINO-ACRYLIC ACID ESTERS AND 3-DIHALOMETHYLPYRAZOLE-4-CARBOXYLIC ACID ESTERS A b s t r a c t ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a process for preparing 2-dihaloacyl-3-aminoacrylic esters of the formula (I)

$$X^{1} \xrightarrow{O} CO_{2}R$$

$$X^{2} \xrightarrow{I} R^{1}$$

$$R^{2}$$

$$(I)$$

characterized in that by reacting acid halides of the formula (II)

$$X^{1}$$
Hal

(II)

are reacted with dialkylaminoacrylic esters of the formula (III)

$$R^{1} \bigvee_{\substack{N \\ P^{2}}} CO_{2}R$$
 (III)

in which R, R^1 , R^2 , X^1 , X^2 and Hal are each as defined in the description disclosure in a water-immiscible organic solvent in the presence of a base,

to the novel 2-dihaloacyl-3-aminoacrylic esters of the formula (I) themselves, to their use for preparing 3-dihalomethylpyrazoles, to a process for preparing 3-dihalomethylpyrazoles, and also to novel 3-dihalomethylpyrazoles. --

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